

Vernon Area Public Library

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Program Information

Library classes, performances, and events are free and open to all unless otherwise indicated.

The library Meeting Room is equipped with a Hearing Loop; audio enhancement is available at movie screenings and many other programs. An ASL interpreter is available for any library program; please give us advance notice to arrange.

Photos and videos may be taken during programs. If you do not wish for you or your child to be photographed, please notify staff.



Find Library Materials

Find books, e-books, audiobooks, movies, music, video games, and other materials available for checkout or download at **search.vapld.info**. Log in with your library card number and PIN (usually the last four digits of your phone number) to place materials on hold.



Access Your Account

Renew, check the status of items on hold, build wish lists. Use your library card number and PIN (usually the last four digits of your phone number) to log in at **vapld.info/account**, or through the Vernon Library app found in your device's app store, or call 847-634-3650.



Get a Library Card

At the Checkout Desk: Residents, bring a photo ID showing your current address; property owners, business owners, and temporary residents, see vapld.info for ID requirements. Children under age 18 must be accompanied by their parent or legal guardian.

Online: Visit **vapld.info/library-cards** and fill out a short form. A temporary card number will be emailed to you within 2 business days and you may begin using it right away. Stop at the Checkout Desk within 30 days to pick up your card.



Get the App

Use the Vernon Area Public Library app to store your library card, manage your account, search the catalog, place holds, access premium resources, check events, and download media for on-the-go enjoyment. Visit the app store on your device to download or go to **vernon.boopsie.com**.



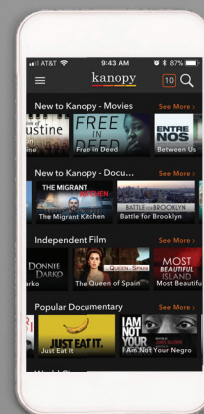
Book a Study Room

The library's study rooms accommodate four to six people. Reserve a room for up to two hours by calling the day before: 224-543-1485 (adult) or 224-543-1486 (youth). Study room reservations are limited to Vernon Area Public Library cardholders only.



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Stream indie, world & classic cinema with Kanopy

Be thoughtfully entertained with Kanopy, a new movie-streaming platform that works with any device, including Roku. Kanopy's extensive collection includes:

- classic films, from silent-era shorts to groundbreaking features
- Criterion Collection of acclaimed classic and contemporary films (formerly on the Hulu paid service)
- masterpieces of world cinema and arthouse from Janus Films (also formerly on Hulu)
- Sundance- and Oscar-winning films and documentaries
- Great Courses and other instructional videos

Go to guides.vapld.info/kanopy and follow the on-screen prompts to set up your account. Log in with your library card number and PIN (usually the last four digits of your phone number). Then browse categories and featured movie collections like "before they were famous," "for foodies," and New York Times critics' picks. Check out up to ten titles every month.

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To begin, go to guides.vapld.info/pressreader.

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3D printers at the library

As a Vernon Library cardholder, you now have access to two 3D printers, enabling you to create a variety of small objects—such as a clip, keychain, phone stand, or a missing part. The Lulzbot printers use STL files (a format related to CAD) and heated polylactic acid (PLA) filament to form each object. STereoLithography (STL) files tell the printer what pattern or design to make. PLA is cornstarch-based, BPA-free, and has been safely used in medical applications.

To get started with your 3D-printable object, browse files at thingiverse.com or create your own design at tinkercad.com. Once you have a file ready, go to guides.vapld.info/3D_printing to complete the online form and upload your design. We'll let you know when your object is ready to pick up at the library.

The Lulzbot 3D printers are available to all Vernon Area Public Library cardholders, regardless of age. Each cardholder may print one item per month. For info and printing policies, visit guides.vapld.info/3D_printing. Stop by the library to see a Lulzbot in action; look for it near the Checkout Desk.

Make a difference— Glass Slipper Project prom dress drive

Make a prom dream come true: Donate your new or gently used formal dresses and clutch purses to the Glass Slipper Project, which has helped more than 20,000 young women attend their proms since 1999. Zengeler Cleaners picks up, cleans, and mends dresses before delivering to the annual "boutique." Drop in the racks in the library lobby.

DONATIONS ACCEPTED MARCH 1–25



Recycle old shoes here

Throughout April, we're collecting old footwear for Reuse-a-Shoe: any kind, any size, any condition. Gently used pairs are donated to local charities. Worn-out athletic shoes are broken down into component materials and recycled. Our partner, SWALCO (Solid Waste Agency of Lake County), aims to recycle or reuse 95% or more of all the materials collected. Please tie or rubber-band your pairs of shoes together before donating. No snow boots, please. Drop in the library lobby collection box.

DONATIONS ACCEPTED MARCH 26–APRIL 22

Let's Travel to Poland!

Learn about this eastern European country and its people through folktales, a craft, and other activities. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 4:30–5:30 PM • GRADES K–5 WITH AN ADULT

Learn to Play Chess

You, too, can play this classic game of strategy. Get hands-on instruction on chess pieces, moves, terminology, and rules. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 4:30–5:30 PM • GRADES 3–8

Chess Strategies and Tactics

Improve your chess game: Learn strategic moves and practice using them against an opponent. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 7–8 PM • GRADES 3–8

Science Sleuths

This three-week series features stories, films, and hands-on activities for the budding scientist. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAYS, 4:30–5:30 PM • MARCH 7, 14 & 21 • GRADES 2–3

Seuss Celebration

Celebrate the wonderful wacky world of Dr. Seuss with stories, games, and science fun. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 4:30–5:30 PM • GRADES K–2

Istvan & His Imaginary Band

Rock 'n' roll with Chicago kindie artist Istvan. Dance around to a tasty collection of short tunes primed for the younger set. **REGISTER**

SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 11 AM–12 PM
AGES 2–9 WITH AN ADULT

Write Away

Stretch your imagination and polish your writing in this creative workshop. Games and story starters launch your writing to new heights. **REGISTER** for one or both sessions.

MONDAY, MARCH 12, 4:30–5:30 PM
8/OR MONDAY, APRIL 16, 4:30–5:30 PM • GRADES 3–4



LEGO ARCHITECTS – MARCH 26

Mr. Freeze Cryogenics Show

Discover another super-cool science field with Fermilab engineer Jerry Zimmerman, a.k.a. "Mr. Freeze." Witness experiments that explore the many uses of liquid nitrogen. **REGISTER**

SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 11 AM–12 PM
GRADES K–8 WITH AN ADULT

LEGO Architects

Love building with LEGOs? Listen to a story for inspiration and then build your dream structure. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2–3:30 PM • GRADES K & UP

LEGO Ninjago Watch & Build

Harness your ninja powers to design LEGO creations while watching *The LEGO Ninjago Movie*. Build your take on a volcano lair, a mech dragon, or even the Temple of the Ultimate Weapon. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MARCH 26, 6–8 PM • GRADES K & UP

Lock Decoders

If you like escape rooms or you're a fan of BreakoutEDU, come and test your skills. Solve puzzles, answer riddles, and decode ciphers. How many locks can you open? **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 1–2 PM • GRADES 3–4

K-9 Reading Buddies

Trained therapy dogs listen patiently while your grade-school student reads aloud, helping build confidence and motivate your child to read. **REGISTER** for a 15-minute appointment by calling 224-543-1486 or in person at the Youth Desk beginning 30 days before the program.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 6:15–7:30 PM
OR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 6:15–7:30 PM
GRADES 1–5

Minecraft Mania

Work with other kids to build structures and strategize to defeat zombies, spiders, and skeletons. A personal Minecraft account is not necessary; we'll explore unique worlds and modules each session. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MARCH 29
GRADES K–2: 12–12:45 PM
GRADES 3–4: 2–3:30 PM

Science Explorers

Students learn science concepts through hands-on activities. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 7–8:30 PM • GRADES 4–5

Imaginary Animal Illustrations

Learn to illustrate like artist Terri Murphy with her secret reverse ink process using paint, ink, and a water rinse. It's magical! **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 4:30–6 PM • GRADES 3–5

Magic Workshop with Gary Kantor

Learn a variety of fascinating illusions involving cards, coins, vanishing effects, and more from the highly entertaining Gary Kantor. Keep practicing with a magic kit that you take home. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, APRIL 9
GRADES K–2: 5–6 PM
GRADES 3–4: 6:15–7:15 PM



JACK & KITTY FOLK CONCERT – APRIL 14

Earth Day, Every Day

Enjoy a story about recycling, create a craft, and watch informative clips from Schoolhouse Rock at this program about taking care of our Earth. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, APRIL 10
GRADES K–2 WITH AN ADULT: 4:30–5:30 PM
GRADES 3–5: 7–8 PM

Jack & Kitty Folk Concert

These Emmy Award-winning songsters play jug band folk music including old blues, ragtime, and jazz from the 1920s and 1930s. Kitty's uncle is reggae legend Bunny Wailer (of Bob Marley and the Wailers) and Jack's babysitter was quirky ukulele musician Tiny Tim ("Tiptoe Through the Tulips"). Jack & Kitty's music is what would happen if Bunny and Tiny had a duo: fun, strange, and entertaining! One reviewer called the duo "Leon Redbone meets Alicia Keys or Tom Waits meets Beyoncé." **REGISTER**

SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 11 AM–12 PM
AGES 0–8 WITH AN ADULT

Parent/Child Book Discussion: *Wolf in the Snow* by Matthew Cordell

Enjoy light refreshments and conversation as we discuss book illustration. Learn about the elements of book design and the many decisions involved in creating a picture book. A copy of the book (yours to keep) is reserved when you register. Have it signed at the author event immediately following (requires separate registration). **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 6:30–7 PM • GRADES 3–8 WITH AN ADULT

Register online at vapld.info, by telephone at 224-543-1486, or in person at any public service desk in the library. Registration opens 30 days before each program.

Common Cents Piggy Banks

Children learn the basics of money, including history, saving, spending, and donating, and make their own Mason jar piggy bank to take home. Money Smart Week® is a public awareness campaign designed to help consumers (and future consumers) better manage their money. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, APRIL 23
GRADES K–2 WITH AN ADULT: 4:30–5:30 PM
GRADES 3–5: 6:30–7:30 PM

Mini Math Magicians

Explore money through books, games, and a craft. The fun really adds up! A Money Smart Week® event. **REGISTER**

FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 11–11:30 AM • AGES 3–5 WITH AN ADULT

Star Wars Trivia

Suit up (costumes encouraged) and compete as a family in a high-speed Star Wars trivia game. Intergalactic prizes! **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MAY 3, 7–8 PM • GRADES K & UP WITH AN ADULT

Free Comic Book Day

One day a year we join libraries and comic shops across the country to give away new comic books—absolutely free, no strings attached. After you’ve grabbed your comic, stay for a special craft. Free Comic Book Day is an annual promotion by the comic book industry to attract new readers. Limit one comic per person while supplies last. Drop in.

SATURDAY, MAY 5, 9 AM UNTIL WE RUN OUT! • ALL AGES

Scales & Tales Traveling Zoo

Meet the creatures that have found refuge with professional animal handler Beth Wagner. View, touch, and ask questions about a sloth, hedgehog, python, and other critters. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, MAY 8, 7–8 PM • GRADES K & UP WITH AN ADULT

Improv Playhouse Theater presents *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*

Improv Playhouse Theater for Young Audiences brings C. S. Lewis’ classic tale to life in this minimalist one-act adaptation written by Le Clanché du Rand. Witness as two actors portray all the characters and adventures of this timeless story. **REGISTER**

SATURDAY, MAY 12, 11 AM–12 PM • ALL AGES WITH AN ADULT

LEGO Robotics

Hey, LEGO fans: Build and program interactive models using the LEGO Education WeDo software in this engaging, hands-on program. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MAY 14
GRADES K–2 WITH AN ADULT: 4:30–5:30 PM
GRADES 3–5: 7–8 PM

Moon Over Lincolnshire

Stop by the front entrance of the library to look through telescopes with members of the Lake County Astronomical Society and see the beauty in our night sky. Please note: This program takes place only in clear weather; check calendar.vapld.info for updates. Drop in.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 7–8:45 PM • ALL AGES

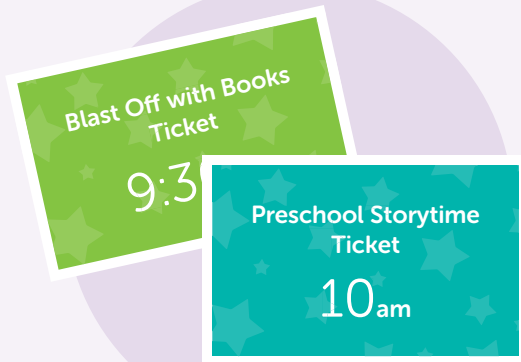


Author Visit—Matthew Cordell, *Wolf in the Snow*

Winner of the 2017 Boston Globe-Horn Book Honor Award for *Wolf in the Snow*, Matthew Cordell gives an insider’s view of the process of creating picture books, from the original idea to the finished product. Cordell has illustrated books by many authors as well as books he’s written. Books available for purchase and signing. **REGISTER** (See also: Parent/Child Book Discussion, p. 4.)

TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 7–8 PM
GRADES 3 & UP WITH AN ADULT

KIDS – STORYTIMES



Tickets Required

Tickets are free and available on a first-come, first-served basis the day of the program. Attendance is limited to children within the posted age range; siblings are welcome. Every individual needs a ticket, including adults and siblings. Questions? Contact the Youth Desk at 224-543-1486 or youthdesk@vapld.info.



Rhythm & Rhyme Laptime

Reading starts at birth! In this storytime for babies, you and your little one engage together in stories and research-based activities that promote reading readiness. **TICKET REQUIRED**

MONDAYS, 9:30–10 AM OR *NEW TIME* 11–11:30 AM
MARCH 5, 12, 19; APRIL 2, 9, 16; MAY 7, 14, 21
AGES 0–14 MONTHS WITH AN ADULT

Giggles & Wiggles

Groove, sing, and jam along with your toddler in this music- and movement-centered program. This is a very active program; be prepared to move! **TICKET REQUIRED**

WEDNESDAYS, 9:30–10 AM OR 10:30–11 AM
MARCH 7, 14, 28; APRIL 4, 11, 25; MAY 2, 9, 23
AGES 15–24 MONTHS WITH AN ADULT

Blast Off with Books

Engage in stories and learn sign language. Activities and books centered on a letter of the day help your child develop letter recognition. **TICKET REQUIRED**

TUESDAYS, 9:30–10 AM OR 10:30–11 AM
MARCH 6, 13, 20; APRIL 10, 17, 24; MAY 1, 8, 15
AGES 2–3 WITH AN ADULT

Preschool Storytime

Children attend this storytime independently (while the accompanying adult remains in the library) to get ready for school. We promote listening skills and reading readiness and nurture a love of reading. **TICKET REQUIRED**

THURSDAYS, 10–10:30 AM OR 1:30–2 PM
MARCH 1, 8, 15; APRIL 5, 12, 19; MAY 3, 10, 17
AGES 3–5 WITHOUT AN ADULT

Register online at vapld.info, by telephone at 224-543-1486, or in person at any public service desk in the library. Registration opens 30 days before each program.

Under Five Family Time

Recover from the busy week with stories, rhymes, music, and themed crafts perfect for the pre-K crowd. **TICKET REQUIRED**

SATURDAYS, 11–11:45 AM
MARCH 3, APRIL 7, MAY 26
AGES 0–5 WITH AN ADULT

Tuck-Me-In Tales

Dress in pajamas, snuggle with your stuffy, and wind down from the day with books, songs, and rhymes. **TICKET REQUIRED**

WEDNESDAYS, 6:30–7 PM
MARCH 21, APRIL 18, MAY 16
AGES 0–6 WITH AN ADULT

Little Yogis in the Garden

Twist, bend, and stretch in this kid-friendly yoga storytime. We combine well-being and early literacy through stories, rhymes, and simple poses for you and your child. This program takes place in the Library Garden; if weather is inclement, gather in the Meeting Room. Please bring a yoga mat or a towel. **REGISTER**

SATURDAY, MAY 5, 10–10:30 AM • AGES 3–6 WITH AN ADULT
LIBRARY GARDEN

A Taste of Storytime

Bring the family to this sampler of our weekday storytimes—plus coffee and donuts! Learn how early literacy activities set the stage for your child's success. **TICKET REQUIRED**

SATURDAY, MAY 19, 10–10:30 AM
AGES 0–5 WITH AN ADULT



AUTHOR VISIT

Baby Loves Science Storytime with Ruth Spiro

Hear Ruth Spiro, author of the Baby Loves Science series, and enjoy silly songs and movements. Spiro's books encourage a natural sense of wonder while introducing basic concepts and vocabulary. Book signing follows; books available for purchase.

TICKET REQUIRED
SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 10–10:45 AM
AGES 0–5 WITH AN ADULT



EXPECTING & NEW PARENTS

Bump to Baby Expo

Browse this service fair to find out what's new and tried-and-true in pregnancy, birth, and parenting while checking out local organizations, day care centers, and networking groups. Spark Talks will be ongoing: ten-minute presentations from experts geared toward new parents. More info at vapld.info/bumptobaby. Drop in.

SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 10 AM–1 PM

TEENS

Games for Grown-ups

Join other tabletop gamers for an afternoon of play. Bring your own game, borrow one of ours, or jump in on a pickup game of chess. Open to adults and high school students of all skill levels. No registration required. RSVPs on Meetup are appreciated: [meetup.com/Games-for-Grownups-VAPLD](https://www.meetup.com/Games-for-Grownups-VAPLD)

SUNDAYS, 1–4 PM

MARCH 4 & 18, APRIL 8, MAY 6 • TEENS & ADULTS
LIBRARY ANNEX

ACT or SAT Practice Exam

Ward off the jitters: prepare for test day by taking a free practice exam. You'll receive a detailed score analysis within 10 days of testing. Presented in partnership with Huntington Learning Center of Buffalo Grove. Specify test selection (ACT or SAT) when you **REGISTER**.

SATURDAYS, 10 AM–1:30 PM • GRADES 8–12
MARCH 10, APRIL 7 • LIBRARY ANNEX

Write Away

Stretch your imagination and polish your prose in this creative writing workshop. Kick start your process with writing games and story starters. **REGISTER** for one or both sessions.

MONDAYS, 7–8 PM • GRADES 5–8
MARCH 12 &/OR APRIL 16

Off the Page: A Teen Book Club

Add your voice to the banter while enjoying frozen yogurt (our treat!). Meet us at Menchie's in Lincolnshire. A copy of the book (yours to keep) is reserved for you when you **REGISTER**.

MONDAYS, 7–8:15 PM • GRADES 8–12

MARCH 19: *GLORY O'BRIEN'S HISTORY OF THE FUTURE* BY A. S. KING

APRIL 23: *THE COLOR OF MAGIC* BY TERRY PRATCHETT
MENCHIE'S, 950-B MILWAUKEE AVE., LINCOLNSHIRE



JUNIOR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – SEE P. 9

Lock Decoders

If you like escape rooms or you're a fan of BreakoutEDU, come and test your skills. Solve puzzles, answer riddles, and decode ciphers. How many locks can you open? **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 3–4 PM • GRADES 5–8

Minecraft Mania

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THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 5–6:30 PM • GRADES 5–8

Magic Workshop with Gary Kantor

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MONDAY, APRIL 9
7:30–8:30 PM • GRADES 5–8

Coding with Python

Learn to code with Python in this two-hour, hands-on introductory workshop. Presented in partnership with Stevenson High School's Girls in STEAM. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 4:30–6 PM • GRADES 5–8

Register online at vapld.info, by telephone at 224-543-1486, or in person at any public service desk in the library. Registration opens 30 days before each program.

Making Sense of Standardized Tests: ACT & SAT

Colleges and universities accept both the ACT and SAT, but how do you know which test is right for your student? A representative from More Than Scores and Tests explains the differences between the two college entrance exams, when to take them, and how to best prepare for them. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 6:30–7:30 PM
GRADES 6 & UP, WITH A PARENT OR GUARDIAN

Star Wars Trivia

Suit up (costumes and themed attire encouraged), build an alliance, and compete in a high-speed Star Wars trivia game of Kahoot for intergalactic prizes. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, APRIL 30, 7–8 PM
GRADES 6 & UP

Free Comic Book Day

One day a year we join libraries and comic shops across the country to give away new comic books—absolutely free, no strings attached. After you've grabbed your comic, stay for a special craft. Free Comic Book Day is an annual promotion by the comic book industry to attract new readers. Limit one comic per person while supplies last. Drop in.

SATURDAY, MAY 5, 9 AM UNTIL WE RUN OUT! • ALL AGES

Exam Cram

Gather with friends and hit the books at the library. We've got extra space, snacks, and extended hours exclusively for high school students studying for finals. No registration required.

GRADES 9–12 ONLY
SATURDAY, MAY 19, 12–7 PM
SUNDAY, MAY 20, 12:30–7 PM
MONDAY, MAY 21, 3–8:30 PM
TUESDAY, MAY 22, 1:30–8:30 PM
WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 1:30–8:30 PM

Moon Over Lincolnshire

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 7–8:45 PM • ALL AGES

Junior Volunteers Needed!

Do you love the library and want to work with us? Looking for a way to contribute to your community, develop your skills and talents, and earn service credit for graduation? Apply to be a Junior Volunteer to assist with the Summer Library Club. The Junior Volunteer program is open to students entering grades 7–12 in the fall of 2018.

1

Beginning Saturday, April 14, at 9 AM, and no later than Monday, April 16, at 9 PM, fill out the online application at **guides.vapld.info/teenvolunteers**. (Applications are accepted only during this 3-day timeframe.)

2

Volunteers will be chosen by lottery from all applications submitted. If you are selected, we will notify you by email no later than April 25.

3

If you are selected, you will be asked to make a 15-minute appointment to schedule your volunteer shifts.

15-MINUTE APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE
SUNDAY, MAY 6, 12:30–4:30 PM
OR MONDAY, MAY 7, 5:30–8:30 PM

4

After you schedule your volunteer shifts, you are required to attend one training session.

MANDATORY TRAINING SESSION
(CHOOSE ONE):
SATURDAY, MAY 26, 1:30–3 PM
OR TUESDAY, MAY 29, 6:30–8 PM
OR WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 7–8:30 PM

ADULTS



BLUES 101 WITH FRUTELAND JACKSON – MARCH 11

Movie—*Spider-Man: Homecoming* (PG-13, CC)

Popcorn included. Shown with closed captioning. **REGISTER**
FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 1–3:30 PM

Games for Grown-ups

Bring your own tabletop game, borrow one of ours, or jump in on a pickup game of chess. Open to adults and high school students of all skill levels. No registration required. RSVPs appreciated: [meetup.com/Games-for-Grownups-VAPLD](https://www.meetup.com/Games-for-Grownups-VAPLD)

SUNDAYS, 1–4 PM • MARCH 4 & 18, APRIL 8, MAY 6
LIBRARY ANNEX

ESL Conversation Group

Practice your English conversation skills at the library with other non-native English speakers. Guided discussion covers American culture, idioms, and other subjects. **REGISTER** for each week separately.

TUESDAYS, 9:30–11:30 AM
MARCH 6, 20; APRIL 3, 17; MAY 1, 15, 29

Author Visit—Dr. Laura Kastner on *The Launching Years*

Clinical psychologist and educator Laura Kastner, author of *The Launching Years: Strategies for Parenting from Senior Year to College Life*, talks about the parenting qualities that best predict emotional, social, and academic competence in adolescents. Books available for purchase and signing, courtesy of The Book Bin. Co-sponsored by Community Parent Network. **REGISTER** on Eventbrite.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 7–8:30 PM

Book Discussion with Judy Levin

The Secret History of Wonder Woman by Jill Lepore. This cultural history of the superhero explores the character's creation and enduring popularity. Books are available now to Vernon Area Public Library cardholders; ask at the Adult Desk. Registration recommended.

THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 10–11:30 AM

Blues 101 with Fruteland Jackson

Recording artist Fruteland Jackson shares the story of blues music from its origins to current popularity. Learn about its history and influential players such as W.C. Handy and B.B. King through narrative and instrumental examples. **REGISTER**

SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 1–2:30 PM

Art Workshop for Adult Beginners

Artist and illustrator Terri Murphy guides beginners through using acrylics to paint a bird. No experience necessary. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MARCH 12, 7–8:30 PM

Senior Series—Fire in Boomtown

Experience an exceptional mix of music, theater, commentary, and history as songwriter Amy Lowe and storyteller Megan Wells recount the story of the Great Chicago Fire of 1871.

REGISTER

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 1–2 PM

Writer's Support Group

This informal group is a great way to share work, meet fellow writers, and get inspired. All writers welcome. No registration required, but RSVPs appreciated: [meetup.com/writers-support-group-Lincolnshire](https://www.meetup.com/writers-support-group-Lincolnshire)

WEDNESDAYS, 6:30–8:45 PM • MARCH 14, APRIL 11

How to Use Social Media to Grow Your Business

Norbert Barszczewski, president of JP NetQuest, guides local business people through the strategies and best practices for getting the most out of social media. Bring your lunch; we'll provide coffee, dessert, and a great learning opportunity. Presented in partnership with SCORE Chicago. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 12–1:30 PM

Register online at vapld.info, by telephone at 224-543-1485, or in person at any public service desk in the library.

Thirsty Thursdays: Books on Tap

In your 20s or 30s and thirsting for intelligent conversation with excellent people? Meet us at The Chatter Box for a book discussion over adult beverages and delicious food. Details and registration on Meetup: bit.ly/tt-bot

THURSDAYS, 6–8:30 PM • AGES 21+

MARCH 15, APRIL 19, MAY 17

THE CHATTER BOX, 330 OLD MCHENRY RD., LONG GROVE

Movie—*Valerian and the City of a Thousand Planets* (PG-13)

Popcorn included. **REGISTER**

SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 1–3:30 PM

The Tragic, Remarkable Life of America's First Sports Hero

Major League ball player Christy Mathewson was the first great pitching star of the modern era; he enjoyed Michael Jordan-level name recognition in his day. Lecturer Craig Pierce shares Mathewson's remarkable accomplishments, including Hall of Fame baseball player, playwright, and WWI veteran.

REGISTER

SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 1–2:30 PM

Lunch & Learn—Opera behind the Scenes

Metropolitan Opera baritone Ryan Edwards and his son, award-winning author and director Geoffrey Edwards, take a close-up look at the fascinating world of opera. Bring your lunch starting at noon; we'll provide coffee, dessert, and a great lecture. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 12:30–1:30 PM

THE TRAGIC, REMARKABLE LIFE OF
AMERICA'S FIRST SPORTS HERO – MARCH 18



MONEY SMART WEEK®

APRIL 21-28, 2018



Become a savvier consumer during Money Smart Week®, April 21–28. Launched in 2002 by the Chicago Fed and 40+ organizations, Money Smart Week® is held each spring to promote personal financial literacy. For more info, visit moneysmartweek.org. To register for the library's programs, go to calendar.vapld.info

Steps to Protect Yourself from Identity Theft, for Free

Learn how to prevent identity theft, an increasingly common crime. Thieves steal social security numbers, birthdates, and driver's license numbers from websites and businesses, then use the personal information to open fake financial accounts in the victim's name. Payments expert Jamie Topolski explains what to do now to protect yourself.

REGISTER

TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 7–8 PM

Surprising Ways to Save Money on Your Next Vacation

Learn how to take the vacation of your dreams without breaking the bank. Travel expert Kirsten Maxwell explains which apps and websites offer the best discounts, lets you in on bargain destinations, and gives tips on how to save money while traveling. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 7–8 PM

Ten Apps for Money Management

Learn to manage your money better with these recommended apps. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 7–8:30 PM

Programs for Kids

Common Cents Piggy Banks

Monday, April 23

SEE LISTING ON P. 5

Mini Math Magicians

Friday, April 27

SEE LISTING ON P. 5

ADULTS

Novel Night Book Discussion

This Is How It Always Is by Laurie Frankel. A family reshapes their ideas about family, love, and loyalty after the youngest son reveals his preference for girls' clothing. Books are available for extended checkout; ask at the Adult Desk.

REGISTER

TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 7–8 PM

Author Visit—Michael Duffy for *From Chicago to Vietnam*

Duffy shares highlights from his memoir, *From Chicago to Vietnam: A Memoir of War*, the perspective of one brave American soldier whose life, like so many others, was forever changed by war. Books available for purchase and signing.

REGISTER

TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 7–8 PM

Movie—*The Post* (PG-13, CC)

Popcorn included. Shown with closed captioning. REGISTER

FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 2–4 PM

Looking for Lost Silence: An Introduction to Japanese Art & Aesthetics

Learn about Japan's rich tradition of intertwined literature and art with artist Lidia Rozmus. Discover how poetry and paintings are woven together in haiku, *haiga*, and *sumi-e*. Rozmus' book *In Silence* is the foundation for this discussion.

REGISTER

SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 1–2 PM

Senior Citizen Expo Extravaganza

Friends of the Parks Foundation, Buffalo Grove Park District, and the Village of Buffalo Grove host the 18th annual expo, a one-stop shop for seniors to interact with local vendors and service providers including the library's Senior and Homebound Services team. Free to all seniors, family members, and caregivers. Drop in.

TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 10 AM–1:30 PM

ARBORETUM CLUB, 401 HALF DAY RD., BUFFALO GROVE



TEDxVernonAreaLibraryLive—APRIL 15

Book Discussion with Judy Levin

The Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead. A tour de force chronicling a young slave's adventures as she makes a desperate bid for freedom in the antebellum South. Books are available to Vernon Area Public Library cardholders beginning March 8. Ask at the Adult Desk. Registration is recommended.

THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 10–11:30 AM

Movie—*Coco* (PG)

Popcorn included. REGISTER

SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2–3:45 PM

TEDxVernonAreaLibraryLive

Don't miss this broadcast! Be among the first to experience the main stage of TED2018: The Age of Amazement. The annual TED conference, being held April 10–14 in Vancouver, is known around the globe for introducing the ideas and insights of the world's thought leaders. The library is licensed to screen TED2018's fresh ideas, raw and unedited, long before they will be available to view online. REGISTER

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 12:30–3 PM

Nonfiction Book Discussion

The Radium Girls by Kate Moore. The stories of the inspiring young women who were exposed to the "wonder" substance of radium, and their strength in the face of almost impossible circumstances. Books are available at the Adult Desk. Meets at a local café; coffee and pastries are on us. REGISTER

MONDAY, APRIL 16, 6:30–7:30 PM

CAFE DE ORO, 2175 DEERFIELD RD., RIVERWOODS

Register online at vapld.info, by telephone at 224-543-1485, or in person at any public service desk in the library.

Lunch & Learn—Madam President: The Secret Presidency of Edith Wilson

Following President Woodrow Wilson's paralyzing stroke in the fall of 1919, First Lady Edith Wilson handled the day-to-day responsibilities of the Executive Office. Author William Hazelgrove shares how Mrs. Wilson managed this role despite having little formal education. Bring your lunch starting at noon; we'll provide coffee, dessert, and a great lecture.

REGISTER

TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 12:30–1:45 PM

Bump to Baby Expo

Expecting and new parents, browse this service fair to find out what's new and tried-and-true in pregnancy, birth, and parenting while checking out local organizations, day care centers, and networking groups. Spark Talks will be ongoing: ten-minute presentations from experts geared toward new parents. More info at vapld.info/bumptobaby. Drop in.

SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 10 AM–1 PM

Senior Series—The Divine Miss M, Bette Midler

Explore the dazzling career of the outrageous and supremely talented Bette Midler. Hy Speck presents stories and clips of Midler's movies, TV, and stage appearances. Co-sponsored by the Buffalo Grove Park District. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 1–2 PM

Talk with a Trustee

Whether it's a problem or praise, or you'd like to suggest an idea, this is your chance to talk with a trustee from the Library Board. In the library lobby/café; drop in.

TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2–2:30 PM

Race: Are We So Different?

Joy Bivins, the Chicago History Museum's director of curatorial affairs, explores the museum's current exhibit about the biological, cultural, and historical perspectives on race. Held in conjunction with the Writers Theatre current production, *Smart People*, which takes on deep questions about the nature of prejudice. **REGISTER** for this free program at writerstheatre.org/fpts or by calling 847-242-6000.

MONDAY, APRIL 30, 7–8 PM

Lunch & Learn—Murals of Pilsen: A Living Tradition

Pilsen has been a focal point of the Chicago murals and street art movement since the late 1960s. Historic preservationist Rebeca Fernandez explores the evolution of exterior murals through the decades. Bring your lunch starting at noon; we'll provide coffee, dessert, and a great lecture. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MAY 3, 12:30–1:30 PM

Movie—Murder on the Orient Express (PG-13, CC)

Popcorn included. Shown with closed captioning. **REGISTER**

FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2–4 PM

Free Comic Book Day

One day a year we join libraries and comic shops across the country to give away new comic books—absolutely free, no strings attached. After you've grabbed your comic, stay for a craft. Limit one comic per person while supplies last. Drop in.

SATURDAY, MAY 5, 9 AM UNTIL WE RUN OUT! • ALL AGES

LUNCH & LEARN—MURALS OF PILSEN:
A LIVING TRADITION – MAY 3





QUEEN ELIZABETH II – MAY 6

Queen Elizabeth II

Prepare for the royal wedding on May 19 by learning about the longest-reigning monarch in the world, Queen Elizabeth II. Popular speaker Barry Bradford tells Elizabeth's story from her ascension to the throne in 1952 through the many challenges she has faced during her 66-year reign. **REGISTER**

SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2–3 PM

The Shakespeare Project of Chicago presents *Much Ado About Nothing*

One of Shakespeare's most popular comedies features two love stories, a battle of wits, and intrigue. The professional players of the Shakespeare Project of Chicago provide a full, live theatrical reading. Get the full experience by attending the pre-show introduction at 6:15 PM and, time permitting, talk-back with actors at the end. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MAY 7, 6:30–9 PM

Senior Series— Main Street Opera presents "Bosom Buddies"

Three performers from Main Street Opera explore the highs and lows, the serious and funny of friendship with favorite song selections from Broadway to opera, including "Mame", "Annie Get Your Gun", and "Madame Butterfly". **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 1–2 PM

Snacks & Facts Trivia Night

Wind down from your work day with a craft beer, great food, and good competition. Sign up individually or in teams of up to four people to test your knowledge of world trivia. Appetizer provided, adult beverages and full menu available, and prizes awarded. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 7–8:30 PM • AGES 21+

THE CHATTER BOX, 330 OLD MCHENRY RD., LONG GROVE

Volunteer at the Library: Orientation

According to research, volunteering can improve your mental health and help you live longer. At the library, we know the difference volunteers make. This informational session covers our volunteer placement process, the library district, intellectual freedom, patron privacy, and collection management. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 7–8:30 PM

Book Discussion with Judy Levin

The Hearts of Men by Nickolas Butler. An epic novel of intertwining friendships and families set against the backdrop of a beloved Boy Scout summer camp in the Northwoods of Wisconsin. Books are available to Vernon Area Public Library cardholders beginning April 12; ask at the Adult Desk. Registration is recommended.

THURSDAY, MAY 10, 10–11:30 AM

Native American Flute Ensemble: Illinois Bicentennial Concert

The flute ensemble Something Different performs a concert celebrating the history of Illinois and the region's Native American groups. **REGISTER**

SUNDAY, MAY 20, 1–2 PM

LIBRARY ANNEX

Moon Over Lincolnshire

Stop by the front entrance of the library to look through telescopes with members of the Lake County Astronomical Society and see the beauty in our night sky. Note: This program takes place only in clear weather; check calendar.vapld.info for updates. Drop in.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 7–8:45 PM • ALL AGES

Novel Night Book Discussion

Hum If You Don't Know the Words by Bianca Marais. Set in apartheid era South Africa, this debut novel chronicles the heart-wrenching struggles of a young white girl and a black Xhosa woman who transcend the limitations of their time to create a family of their own. Books are available for extended checkout; ask at the Adult Desk. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, MAY 29, 7–8 PM

ADULTS | COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

Computer & technology classes are free and open to all, ages 18+ unless stated otherwise. Register online at vapld.info, by telephone at 224-543-1485, or in person at any public service desk in the library. Registration opens 30 days before each program.

Special Topics

Nerds with Beer

Part philosophy, part tech talk, this monthly meetup for 20- and 30-somethings is loosely centered on technology's influence on our lives. Meets at Half Day Brewing. RSVP: meetup.com/Nerds-with-Beer

TUESDAYS, 7–8:30 PM • AGES 21+

MARCH 6: MARIANA'S WEB AND BEYOND

APRIL 3: FEED ON AI & VR

MAY 1: PHILOSOPHY OF ONLINE IDENTITIES

HALF DAY BREWING, 200 VILLAGE GREEN, LINCOLNSHIRE

Intro to 3D Printing

We introduce you to the Lulzbot Taz 6 and Mini 3D printers, review websites offering ready-to-print files, and explain how to design your own creations using Tinkercad in this hands-on course. Prerequisites: basic computer skills and a Vernon Area Library card. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 7–8:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2–3:30 PM

How to Use Social Media to Grow Your Business

Norbert Barszczewski, president of JP NetQuest, guides local business people through the strategies and best practices for getting the most out of social media. Bring your lunch; we'll provide coffee, dessert, and a great learning opportunity. Presented in partnership with the Buffalo Grove Lincolnshire Chamber of Commerce and SCORE Chicago, a nonprofit mentoring and business education organization. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 12–1:30 PM

Apple Drop-in

Bring your MacBook, iPhone, or iPad (no iMacs, please) and we'll answer any questions you have about your Apple products including settings, personalization, and applications. Vernon Area Library cardholders only. **REGISTER**

SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 10:30 AM–12 PM

Ten Apps for Money Management

Learn to manage your money better with these recommended apps. A Money Smart Week event. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 7–8:30 PM

iMovie

Discover the basics of Apple's video editing software, including importing, editing, and adding a soundtrack. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MAY 24, 7–8:30 PM

Multimedia

Library Media Lab: Digitize Your Photos & Videos

Learn about digital preservation in the library's Media Lab. We'll show you how to convert VHS and DVD to digital and explain how to scan photos, slides, and negatives. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 7–8:30 PM

FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 10 AM–12 PM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 10 AM–12 PM

FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 10 AM–12 PM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 10 AM–12 PM

MONDAY, MAY 21, 7–8:30 PM



PROTECTING YOUR PRIVACY – APRIL 9

Computers & Coffee

Join us for a cup of coffee and instruction followed by hands-on practice with the help of a technology volunteer. The pace is relaxed, with plenty of time for your technology questions.

Free Movies with Your Library Card

Explore the resources for streaming movies, documentaries, and other videos that you can access with your library card. There will be plenty of time for hands-on practice and individualized help with any of your technology questions. Bring your email address and password. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MARCH 12, 11 AM–12 PM

Protecting Your Privacy

Rich Trauth, one of the library's IT professionals, explains how to protect your privacy online, including choosing secure passwords and safe shopping. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, APRIL 9, 11 AM–12 PM

Snapchat

Post pictures, share memes, and comment on friends' posts. Follow people who share your interests while exploring this popular social media platform. Please bring your smartphone. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MAY 14, 11 AM–12 PM

Microsoft Applications

All classes are taught using Microsoft Office 2016.

Excel Basics

Learn the fundamentals of Microsoft's spreadsheet program: Create a spreadsheet; enter and format data and formulas; print, save, and retrieve spreadsheets. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 7–8:30 PM

Word Easy

Anyone can learn to use Microsoft Word to create, edit, and manage documents; we'll show you how. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 11 AM–12:30 PM

Word Basics

Learn to create, save and format documents in this introductory class. Prerequisites: mouse and keyboard experience. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 7–8:30 PM

Word Document Formatting

Explore formatting text in Word documents in this intermediate level class. Prerequisite: Word Basics. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 7–8:30 PM

Excel Formulas & Functions

Learn to use basic statistical, lookup, and financial functions. Prerequisite: Excel Basics. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 7–8:30 PM

Word: Working with Objects

Investigate the visual side of Word with clip art, picture and text formatting, charts, and more. Prerequisite: Word Basics. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 7–8:30 PM

Windows 10

Learn the ins and outs of Windows 10 in this hands-on program. Navigate the desktop, start menu, Cortana virtual assistant, and Edge web browser and begin to personalize your experience. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, APRIL 9, 7–8:30 PM

Classes are free and open to all, ages 18+ unless stated otherwise. When indicated, register online at vapld.info, by telephone at 224-543-1485, or in person at any public service desk in the library. Registration opens 30 days before each program.

Excel Tables

Learn how to create and pivot tables, sort and filter data, work with large spreadsheets, and more. Prerequisite: Excel Basics.

REGISTER

TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 7–8:30 PM

Word: Collaboration Tools, Mail Merge & More

Explore mail merge, collaboration tools, and style options in this advanced Word class. Prerequisites: Word Basics, Excel Basics. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 7–8:30 PM

Excel Charts & Graphs

Learn how to add visual interest and tell stories by displaying numbers and data sets in charts or graphs. Prerequisite: Excel Basics. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 7–8:30 PM

Intro to PowerPoint

Explore techniques for creating attractive slideshow presentations in this introductory class. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MAY 3, 7–8:30 PM

Excel VLOOKUP

VLOOKUP (short for vertical lookup) is an Excel function that allows you to compare two lists. Demystify this handy tool by working through examples. Prerequisite: Excel Basics, Excel Tables, or commensurate experience. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, MAY 8, 7–8:30 PM

Intermediate PowerPoint

Learn how to add animations, transitions, and multimedia to your PowerPoint presentation. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MAY 10, 7–8:30 PM

Intermediate Windows 10

Learn to create a desktop icon, access and adjust settings, install and uninstall programs, and helpful tips and tricks. Prerequisite: Windows Basics. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MAY 14, 7–8:30 PM

Excel Pivot Tables

A pivot table is a tool that allows you to reorganize and summarize large amounts of data in a spreadsheet or database to obtain a desired report. Take an in-depth look at pivot tables in this hands-on class. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, MAY 15, 7–8:30 PM

Recording PowerPoint Slideshows

Learn how to record your PowerPoint slideshows during this advanced class. Posting presentations on YouTube and video compression will be covered. Prerequisites: Intro to PowerPoint, Intermediate PowerPoint. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MAY 17, 7–8:30 PM

Tech questions? We can help

One-on-One Help

Book a 45-minute appointment with a librarian to get personal technology help—with the library's website, catalog, or premium resources; downloading e-books, audiobooks, magazines, movies, or music; computer software; or the Media Lab. A reservation and current Vernon Area Public Library card are required. To request an appointment (up to 2 per month), call 224-543-1485 or fill out the form online at vapld.info/devicehelp.

Tech Wednesday

No reservation required; just drop in with your tech questions and device setup needs. Open session on first and third Wednesdays of each month. Stop in at the Adult Desk.

WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 7 & 21, APRIL 4, MAY 2 & 16, 11 AM–12 PM

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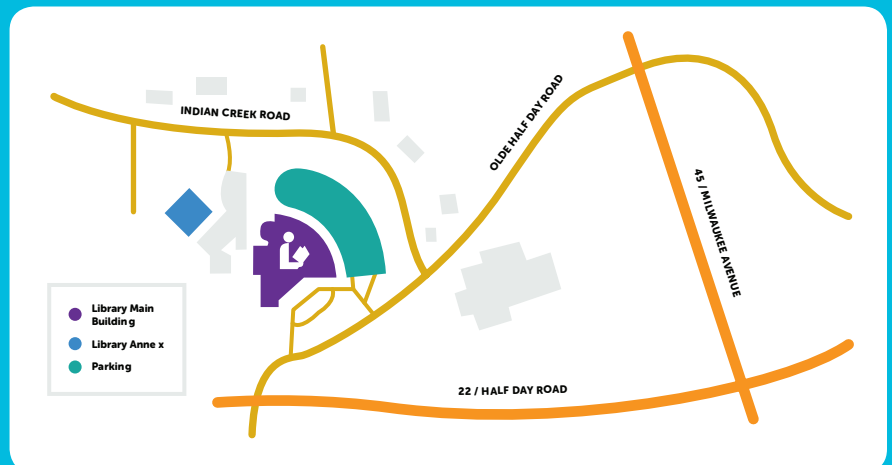
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Friday & Saturday	9 AM–5 PM
Sunday	12–5 PM

Location & Contact

300 Olde Half Day Rd	www.vapld.info
Lincolnshire, IL 60069	847-634-3650

Closings

March 9	Opening at 1 PM
April 1	Easter
May 27–28	Memorial Day



Bump to Baby Expo

Drop in to browse info booths from local vendors and organizations, network, and hear Spark Talks, Saturday, April 21, 10 AM–1 PM. More info on p. 7 and at vapld.info/bumptobaby